

DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PENT APPLICATION

Docket No. 00108

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled
Improved method for avoiding the degradation of an active principle

specification of which

(check one) is described and claimed in PCT International Application PCT/FR98/02579 filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 12/01/1998 amended on _____ (if applicable)

(OR) is described in United States Application Number 09/554,602 filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 05/30/2000 (OR) _____ is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and also identified below, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Claimed? Yes _____ No _____
97 15073	France	12/01/1997	X
98 03807	France	03/27/1998	X

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States Provisional Application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s) , or 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States of America, listed below, and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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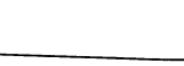
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